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ANTHROPOLOGY
THE DOCTRINE OF MAN

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The mental faculty can be considered as the most important of all the faculties in man. It is important

because of the following.

1. Its function of being able to
REASON,
2. Its function of being able to
gather and STORE KNOWLEDGE
3. Its function of being able to
control the other organs

This faculty is also, perhaps, the most vital determinant of success or failure of Man as he journeys through this, seemingly, simple but, mysterious world.

A man's knowledge may be classified

into two main categories, namely.

[A] Knowledge of the PHYSICAL world.

[B] Knowledge of the SPIRITUAL world.

[1.0.A] Knowledge of the PHYSICAL world.

Knowledge of the PHYSICAL world may further be subdivided into other components.

A few examples are:

[i] Academic knowledge.

[ii] Scientific knowledge.

[iii] Technological and industrial knowledge

[iv] Space knowledge.

[v] Commerce and Business knowledge.

[v] Financial knowledge.

[vi] Fashion knowledge

[vii] Historical knowledge.

[viii] Environmental knowledge

etc.

[1.0.B] Knowledge of the SPIRITUAL World.

There are two categories of spiritual knowledge. They are:

[1] Knowledge of the TRUE GOD.

[2] Knowledge of the DARK WORLD,
This may even include Religion and
knowledge of other gods.

An accurate knowledge of the
SPIRITUAL WORLD is EXTREMELY
VITAL.

It is the sole determinant of a man's
FINAL DESTINATION, as he or she
proceeds to the next WORLD, that is,
the worlds beyond. Every man or
woman will finally end up, either to live
with the TRUE GOD - forever, or live
without the TRUE GOD - forever. The
latter, also, means eternal DOOM, in
HELL FIRE.

It is, also, crucial to know that NOT every mention of the name 'God' refers to the TRUE GOD. Hence, Jesus Christ, found it necessary to make the following statement, and as found John 17: 3.

“And this is LIFE ETERNAL that they might know thee the **ONLY TRUE** GOD, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.” John 17: 3

CRUCIAL:

One of the most important knowledge areas that guides a man unto the

correct spiritual path, thereby enabling him or her to be identified with the TRUE GOD, is ANTHROPOLOGY -

The doctrine of man.

This doctrine deals with the study of man. The more accurate knowledge, a person has, about himself or herself, the faster he or she runs to hide and remain in the TRUE GOD.

ANTHROPOLOGY is broad and encompasses the entire study of man. But the area of focus for this study is 'SELF' knowledge, or personal knowledge.

2.0 GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ABOUT MAN:

One of the most vital, but often ignored type of knowledge is 'SELF' - knowledge. General knowledge about man largely helps man to better understand how to go through this present LIFE in safety.

Lack of knowledge, certainly, is a liability and not an asset. Hence, an accurate knowledge of a man is, perhaps, the most crucial of all the knowledge: lest a man journey along

this world is in a state of delusion.

Man, ought to be always conscious of one important fact, that is, that every man or woman is a TRAVELER, journeying through a planet called planet EARTH.

Hence, man ought to position him or herself to answer the following:

[a] where is man coming from ?

[b] Where man is now,
in his journey through the earth?

[c] Where is man going?

A man's level of relation with the

TRUE God and his fellow man depend largely on the accurate knowledge a man has about himself or herself.

The study of Anthropology is, therefore, very important. For instance, if a man believes that his great, great, great grand - parents were Apes, or that he is a descendant of Monkeys, you can easily predict his type of concept of whom God is, and ultimately, his relationship with God, if at all he believes that He exists.

Certainly, the type of vertical relationship a man has, determines the type of horizontal relationships a man exhibits to his fellow men.

3.0. KEY QUESTIONS, CONCERNING MAN.

Hence, some of the key points or highlights this study seeks to address are fundamental questions, such as.

[1] What is man?

[2] Why is man here on earth?

[3] What was the original state of man?

[4] What is the current state of man?

[5] How can the defective state of man be restored?

[6] What will be the final state of man, hereafter?

3.0.1 FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS

[1] What is man?

Man is a spirit, and has a soul, and lives in a body. In effect man is three- in - one being. He is Spirit, Soul, and body.

[1. 1] Function of the Spirit of Man:

Man communes or interacts with the spiritual world with his Spirit. God communes with man through the Spirit of man.

[1. 2] Function of the Soul of Man:

The Soul harbors the faculties that enable man to reason, have affection, make decisions etc.

Hence the Soul is the seat of a man's personality, namely.

[a] Intellect of man :

The seat of reasoning.

[b] Emotion: The seat of affection.

[c] Will of Man: The seat of decision making.

[1.3] Function of the Body of Man:

The physical body of man enables him to interact with, and enjoy, the material, or physical world.

Man interacts with the material world, with his five senses, namely.

a. Sight: a function of the brain and eyes.

b. Smell: a function of the brain and nose

c. Touch: a function of the brain and body.

d. Hearing: a function of the brain and ears.

e. Taste: a function of the brain and tongue.

3.1 Why is man here on earth?

a. To glorify his maker

b. To be given a chance to decide where to be in eternity - whether to be in Heaven or Hell

3.1.1 ORIGIN OF MAN

Man was well thought of before he was created.

In terms of design and functionality,

Man is an 'architectural' masterpiece,

created and positioned on planet earth.

Like every other thing in the universe, man was also created, but in a very unique manner. Hence man originates from God.

The following points must therefore be well noted.

[a] Man did not happen accidentally.

[b] Man did not evolve from any lower or higher creatures.

[c] Man is original, special and unique being.

3.1.2 THE CREATION OF MAN IN GOD'S IMAGE

“And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.” Genesis 1: 26

“Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen

were not made of things which do appear.” Hebrews 11: 3

3.1.3 CREATION OF MAN FOR GOD'S GLORY

“Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.” Isaiah 43: 7

“ For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things

were created by him, and for him:”

Colossians 1 : 16

“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.”

Revelation 4: 11

In effect, originally, Man was created so that.

[a] God will show His Glory.

[b] God will receive Glory.

[c] To be God’s friend and companion

[d] etc

3.1.4 What was the original state of man?

Perfect! At the beginning, God created all things and said "...it is good".

God then created man in His image, and without SIN. IMPORTANT:

The absence of Sin made man to have God as a friend and enjoyed His visitations.

Man had peace, and enjoyed God's presence, continually. In a nutshell, man in his original state had the following state

3.1.5 ORIGINAL STATE OF MAN

Man:

[a] Had no SIN

[b] Had no need to be Saved from Sin and penalty of Sin, which is death.

[c] Had Peace with God, his neighbors and other animals.

[d] Had God as a friend, and no need to be afraid of His presence.

[e] Enjoyed God's presence

[f] Had no Sickness or disease

[g] Had no fear of death

[h] Had no fear of Satan

[i] Had no satanic bondage

[j] Had no curse

[k] Had no satanic covenant

[l] Had dominion over all creatures
and beast of the field

[m] A spiritually, alive to the things of
God.

[n] Had wealth and lived in plenty.

[o] Man had GLORY, DOMINION.

[p] Had had his Spirit surrounded
by God's Glory.

[q] Had the opportunity to live forever

3.1.6 GOD'S ONLY CONDITION FOR THE MAINTANCE OF ORIGINAL STATE OF MAN

[3.3.a.] Although man enjoyed so many benefits from his creator, he was asked to do **ONLY ONE** thing. This one thing was the fulcrum on which the continual enjoyment of the many benefits hinged .

The **CONDITION** was simple:

OBEEDIENCE, that is, that man will **OBEY** his **CREATOR**, forever.

" And the **LORD** God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put

the man whom he had formed. 2:9
And out of the ground made the LORD
God to grow every tree that is pleasant
to the sight, and good for food; the
tree of life also during the garden, and
the tree of knowledge of good and evil.
Genesis 2 : 8"

" And the LORD God took the man, and
put him into the garden of Eden to
dress it and to keep it. 2:16

And the LORD God commanded the
man, saying, of every tree of the
garden thou mayest freely eat: 2:17

But of the tree of the knowledge of

good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. “Genesis 2: 15

3.1.7 FAILURE OF MAN

- a. Man, with his free will, preferred to enter into a dialogue with Satan.
- b. This dialogue gave Satan a foothold in the life of a man.
- c. Satan successfully turned the foothold into a stronghold.
- d. Satan, successfully, convinced man to **DISOBEY HIS CREATOR.**

3.1.8 SIN: THE ACT OF DISOBEDIENCE OF MAN AND FALL OF MAN.

[3. 3. c. 1] Man chose to dialogue with Satan.

[3. 3. c. 2] Man chose to obey Satan, rather than God.

[3. 3. c. 3] Man chose to disobey God.

[3. 3. c. 4] Man, consequently, SINNED against God.

3.1.9 ADAMIC SIN: THE DIALOGUE AND THE FALL OF MAN. Now the serpent was more subtile than" any beast of the field which the LORD

God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 3:2

And the woman said unto the serpent,

We may eat of the fruit of the trees

of the garden: 3:3 But of the fruit

of the tree which is in the midst of

the garden, God hath said,

Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall

ye touch it, lest ye die. 3:4

And the serpent said unto the woman,

Ye shall not surely die: 3:5 For God

doth know that in the day ye eat

thereof, then your eyes shall be

opened, and ye shall be as gods,
knowing good and evil. 3:6 And when
the woman saw that the tree was good
for food, and that it was pleasant to
the eyes, and a tree to be desired to
make one wise, she took of the fruit
thereof, and did eat, and gave also
unto her husband with her; and he did
eat. 3:7 And the eyes of them both
were opened, and they knew that they
were naked; and they sewed fig leaves
together, and made themselves
aprons. 3:8 And they heard the voice of
the LORD God walking in the garden in
the cool of the day: and Adam and his
wife hid themselves from the presence

of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

3:9

And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

3:10

And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. 3:11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

3:12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. 3:13

And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat."

Genesis 3 : 1 - 13

[4] What is the current state of man?

Due to disobedience, man now has the following current state.

[4. A] FALLEN STATE OF MAN

[a] Man, now: [a] Has SIN,
in prison and only awaiting death.

[b] Has the need to be saved from
Sin, prison, and penalty of Sin, which
is death.

[c] Has no Peace with God and his
neighbors

[d] Has God as his enemy, and afraid
of His presence.

[e] Dislikes God's presence

[f] Has Sickness or disease

[g] Under the threat of death,

physically and eternally

[h] Man is hunted by, and fears Satan

[i] Has Satanic bondage

[j] Has divine curses, as well as
Satanic curses.

[k] Has satanic covenant

[l] No longer has full dominion over
all creatures and beast of the field

[m] Dead, spiritually, to the things
of God.

[n] Has his wealth, stolen by Satan

[o] Has his GLORY and DOMINION was

stolen by Satan.

[p] Has LOST the presence of God's
Glory.

[q] Cannot be with God, his CREATOR,
forever, after the physical death

[r] Is heading for his doom in
HELL FIRE, a place, originally,
prepared for Satan and his cohorts
alone.

[4. B] SUMMARY OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE FALL OF MAN

The fall of man, through
DISOBEDIENCE, had and still has the
following consequences.

[1] Immediate, direct and personal,
penalty for man.

[2] Penalty for the entire lineage
or generation tree of man.

[3] An evil ripple effect,
leading to wider consequences for the
entire world. The turbulence, chaos,
affliction, calamities, and the ever-
increasing pain in the world of man is
traceable to the activities of the evil
one - Satan.

The act of disobedience by man, and for that matter SIN, ushered in evil into man's world; commissioned and empowered Satan to afflict man.

[4. C] Breakdown of the evils, threatening the peace of man, in this present world, is listed below.

4. C.1 Type of Evils in the present world of man
Selfishness and greed

Man is selfish and greedy in every Sphere of life, example. Marriage, politics etc

Corruption

The pervasiveness of Corruption increases by each passing day

Immorality

Sexual filthiness; like fornication, adultery homosexuality is evident in world man

Theft and deception

The thieves, who are not caught in man's world, are more than those who get caught.

Betrayals and disloyalties

Betrayal and disloyalty in marriage

etc has become normal lifestyle for man Iniquities and lawlessness

All types of iniquities and lawlessness abounds in every sphere of life. Murder

Man does not value the life

God gives to his fellow man

Boastful Man confidence and boasts, is in his possessions and achievements rather than in his God.

Pride and arrogance

A man's pride & arrogance makes him unwilling to accept his faults and submit to God

Foolishness

Man, in his state of depravity,
sees good as evil, and sees evil as
good due to his foolishness

Gluttony and alcoholism

Today, man is more interested
in serving his belly, rather than serving
God.

Wars, Confusion, anarchy and chaos,
due to the wickedness of man, is evident
everywhere.

[5.0]. How can the defective state of man be remedied?

For this question to be answered, a thorough diagnosis of the man ought 'Sickness' to be carried out, as already done above.

[5. 1] DIAGNOSIS OF MAN'S REAL 'SICKNESS'

The outcome of DIAGNOSIS is SIN.

All the other problems that Man has, or confronts man, are just symptoms of this root cause. Once steps are taken to deal with this 'sickness', the

symptoms have no choice, but to
loose their grip on man.

[5. 2] PRESCRIPTION! BY WHO?

The only person who has the capability
to give the correct prescription for the
'sickness' in man, called SIN, is the
creator, God, himself. Once man is
willing to accept God's prescription, he
or she, is immediately restored to the
ACCEPTABLE state - a state of PEACE
with the TRUE GOD.

This is called REDEMPTION. God's
prescription for man is found below:

[5. 3] GOD'S PRESCRIPTION FOR SIN
[REDEMPTION OF MAN]

[5. 3.1] PACIFICATION FOR SIN

" For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. John 3 : 16"

[5. 4] REASON FOR PACIFICATION FOR SIN.

"And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission"

Hebrew 9: 22

[6.0] WHAT WILL BE THE FINAL STATE OF MAN?

[6. 1] THE TWO CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR REDEMPTION

The final state of man depends on man, himself. It is important to recognize that before the fall of man in

the Garden of Eden, God's only condition for man, to be guaranteed of ETERNAL LIFE was Man's OBEDIENCE to his God. However, man in his current state of SIN has an additional condition to fulfill. The TWO conditions to be fulfilled, before Man can be guaranteed of ETERNAL.

LIFE is

[6. 1.1] WILLINGNESS:

Man must be willing to accept God's offer of Peace.

[6. 1.2] OBEDIENCE:

Man must be willing to obey the

requirements, settled by God, for his restoration. Hence, Prophet Isaiah, declared, in Isaiah 1: 18 - 19

“If ye be WILLING and OBEDIENT, ye shall eat the good of the land”

Isaiah 1: 19

[6. 2] FINAL STATE OF

MAN GROUP 1: those willing to accept god's prescription for sin, and obey

him. - on the way to heaven. GROUP

2: those unwilling to accept god's

prescription for sin, and disobey him

- on the way to hell GROUP 1:

According to God's word, the Bible,
the following applies to those in
group 1: FROM DEATH TO LIFE:

“Verily, verily, I say unto you,
He that heareth my word, and
believeth on him that sent me, hath
everlasting life, and shall not come
into condemnation; but is passed from
death unto life. John 5 : 24”

For those in group 1:

1. They are **CLEANSED** by the **BLOOD**
of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ.

2. They are REGENERATED by the Holy Spirit, and have received NEW LIFE;

3. They are called BORN AGAIN.

4. They do NOT have the Sinful state of Adam; and dead to Sin.

5. They have a new nature, which is at war with the old nature.

6. They are united with the TRUE GOD.

7. They are entitled to enjoy both the current physical world, as well as the next world, yet to come.

8. They will NOT pay for the Penalty of SIN, which is Eternal Death.

9. They will have EVERLASTING LIFE

10. They have hope

11. They have God's favor

12. They are accepted in Heaven,
as God's Children; adopted into God's
family.

“For God so loved the world, that he
gave his only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in him should not
perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3 : 16

“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:" John 1 : 12

“He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.” John 3: 18

“For the wages of sin is death;
but the gift of God is eternal life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

" Roman 6: 23

“And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 5:12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. “1 John 5: 11 [6. 2. 1]

WHAT IS MEANT BY 'BORN AGAIN'?

A person is said to be 'BORN AGAIN', when he or she is BORN TWICE.

[6.2.1.a] FIRST BIRTH - PHYSICAL

BIRTH: Man is born physically into the physical or material world,

that is, born of water, or born of man.

This is an act of man. This first act enables a person to come into the physical world; to see the physical world: taste, and enjoy the physical or material world.

Without being born physically into the material world, it is impossible to see, and to enjoy, the physical or material world.

Please, this understanding is crucial for you to understand the next stage.

[6 .2 .1 .b] SECOND BIRTH- SPIRITUAL

BIRTH: In this case,

Man is born into the Spiritual world

that is, born into God's Kingdom;

that is, born of the Spirit.

This act is done by the Holy Spirit

on the SPIRIT of man. This is

possible ONLY when a person.

1. Repents of his or her Sin

2. Invites Jesus Christ, to come and

live his or her heart,

At this stage.

1. The inherited Adamic SIN and his

or her own personal Sin are forgiven

and cleansed by the BLOOD of of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ.

2. The Holy Spirit comes to REGENERATE the person, imparting God's kind of LIFE into the person's heart NOTE:

Without the second birth, a person is confined and limited to, ONLY, Natural and physical LIFE.

This is why Jesus Christ said.

.... Verily, verily, I say unto thee,"

Except a man be BORN OF WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

John 3: 5

“That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.”

John 3: 6

Please note carefully, the scriptures, above, paying ATTENTION to the following phrases

1. 'BORN OF WATER'
2. 'BORN OF SPIRIT'
3. BORN OF THE FLESH IS FLESH'.
4. 'BORN OF THE SPIRIT IS SPIRIT'.

GROUP 2:

According to God's word, the Bible,
the following applies to those in group
2

For those who have NOT accepted
God's GIFT.

They are NOT CLEANSED by the
BLOOD of the Lamb of God, Jesus
Christ.

a. They are NOT REGENERATED; and
have NOT received a NEW LIFE.

b. They are BORN only ONCE, that is,

born physically.

c. They still have the Sinful state of Adamic SIN.

d. They are separated from the TRUE GOD, although may even be religious and 'good' people, according to human standards.

e. Although they are also God's creation and may even be religious, God sees them as Satan's Children

f. They are entitled to enjoy ONLY the current physical world, but will NOT the next world, yet to come

g. They must pay for the Penalty of Adamic and their personal SIN, which is Eternal Death in HELL FIRE.

h. They do not have hope of seeing the next world

i. They do not have peace, but rather the wrath of God abides on them.

j. They do NOT have EVERLASTING LIFE.

k. They are NOT accepted in Heaven, as God's Children, and NOT adopted into God's family.

Please, note the following scriptures
carefully:

“Jesus answered and said unto him,
Verily, verily, I say unto thee,

EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN, he
CANNOT SEE the kingdom of God. ”

John 3: 3

NOTE: THIS PAGE WILL BE
CONTINUED,

WITH MORE SCRIPTURAL
REFERENCES TO MAN,

SOON APPEAL TO CHRISTIANS,
WORLDWIDE:

Wherever you are located on earth,
please, ensure you evangelize.

One strategy is Just highlight the
address portion (ABOVE) of any of the
web pages, COPY and paste in your
email message, and prayerfully send to
your friends, relations, etc. all over the
world. Once your recipient CLICKS on
the link in the email, the page
automatically opens for him or her to
read. Thanks!

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